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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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Examiner: Kifle, Bruck

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FOR: DIAZEPANES DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS LFA INHIBITORS

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE

Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2006. A three-month extension of time petition is included herewith. Reconsideration of the present rejections and withdrawal of the present rejections are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.